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Re: D.T.E. 06-61

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

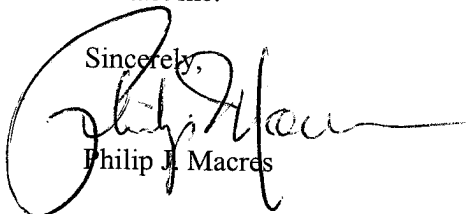
Attached hereto for filing in the above-referenced proceeding is the Petition to Intervene of Metropolitan Telecommunications of Massachusetts, Inc., a/k/a MetTel and One Communications in this proceeding.

In accordance with the Notice of Investigation and Public Hearing that was released on July 17, 2006 in this proceeding, an original and three (3) additional copies of this filing are attached. In addition, a copy of this filing is being submitted to the Department in electronic format by E-mail attachment to dte.efiling@state.mass.us and Tina.Chin@state.ma.us.

Also attached is an extra copy of this filing. Please date-stamp it and return it in the attached, postage prepaid envelope provided.

Should you have any questions concerning this filing, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Philip J. Macres

Enclosures

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**BEFORE THE
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY**

Investigation by the Department on its own motion as to the propriety of the rates and charges set forth in the following tariff: M.D.T.E. No. 14, filed with the Department on June 16, 2006, to become effective July 16, 2006, by Verizon New England, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Massachusetts.

D.T.E. 06-61

**PETITION TO INTERVENE OF METROPOLITAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS
OF MASSACHUSETTS, INC., A/K/A METTEL AND ONE COMMUNICATIONS**

Pursuant to 220 C.M.R. § 1.03 and the Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy's ("Department") July 17, 2006 Notice of Investigation and Public Hearing in the above-captioned proceeding, counsel for Metropolitan Telecommunications of Massachusetts, Inc., a/k/a MetTel ("MetTel") and One Communications¹ ("One") (collectively "Joint Petitioners") hereby petition the Department to intervene as full parties in this proceeding, stating in support thereof the following:

1. Joint Petitioners are Competitive Local Exchange Carriers ("CLEC") that are authorized to provide service throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and provide local service consistent with that authorization. Their provision of services includes, among other things, obtaining certain services that Verizon-Massachusetts ("Verizon") offers on resale basis pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 251(c)(4) and applicable state law.

2. On July 17, 2006, the Department initiated this proceeding to investigate Verizon's June 16, 2006 proposed reduction to its resale discount rates. It also invited all interested persons who are substantially and specifically affected by issues under investigation to petition to intervene in this proceeding by Monday, August 7, 2006.

3. Joint Petitioners accordingly request that they be permitted to intervene as full parties in this proceeding so that they may represent and protect their interests during it. Joint

¹ One Communications is the entity resulting from the merger of the parent entities of the Massachusetts operating subsidiaries Choice One Communications of Massachusetts Inc., CTC Communications Corp., Lightship Telecom, LLC, and Conversent Communications of Massachusetts, Inc.

Petitioners will be substantially and specifically affected by the Department's review and decision in this proceeding because they are customers that purchase certain telecommunications services on a resale basis from Verizon and also are competitors of Verizon. Any changes to Verizon's current resale discount rate will specifically impact Joint Petitioners' ability to compete with Verizon. In order to ensure that the Joint Petitioners' interests are fully and properly represented, Joint Petitioners' participation as parties in this proceeding is necessary.

4. If allowed to intervene as full parties, Joint Petitioners plan to participate fully in this proceeding, including propounding discovery, offering pre-filed and hearing witness testimony, and presenting written and oral argument on the issues raised.

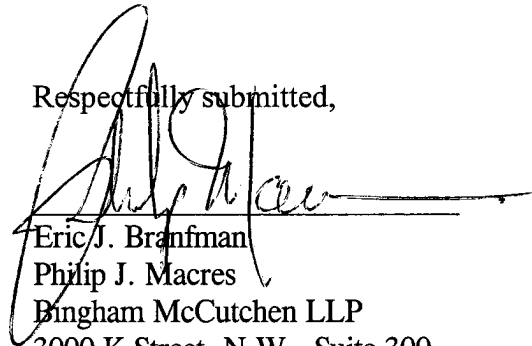
5. In making this request, Joint Petitioners ask that all communications and correspondence for this proceeding be directed to the undersigned counsel and the following individuals at MetTel and One:

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WHEREFORE, Joint Petitioners respectfully request that the Department grant this Petition to Intervene in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: August 4, 2006

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on this 4th day of August, 2006, a copy of the Petition to Intervene of Metropolitan Telecommunications of Massachusetts, Inc., a/k/a MetTel and One Communications in DTE 06-61 was sent via postage prepaid first class mail (or overnight mail if noted with an asterisk) to the individuals listed below.


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